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In re application of: Yasutoshi KAWAGUCHI et al.

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PRODUCTION METHOD THEREOF**

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED NOVEMBER 12, 2009

Sir:

Favorable reconsideration of the above-identified application is respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and comments.

Claims 1-17 are pending in the application and are subject to restriction. Applicants hereby elect Group IIA (claims 1, 2, 4-6, 15 and 16) without traverse. Substantive examination of claims 1, 2, 4-6, 15 and 16 is respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner feel that a telephone interview would be helpful to facilitate favorable prosecution of the above-identified application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number provided below.

Should a petition for an extension of time be necessary for the timely reply to the outstanding Office Action (or if such a petition has been made and an additional extension is necessary), petition is hereby made and the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees (including additional claim fees) to Deposit Account No. 18-0988.

Respectfully submitted,

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